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DATE: 25 March 1958

ro : Project Director

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ATTN FROM

: Project Communications Officer

SUBJECT: Request for Retention of G-J Racks at Base B

- 1. It is the understanding of this office that the Project Director approved recently the elimination of the G-J racks from the Base B table of equipment. While it is recognized that such a decision results from the need to practice the greatest economies at this time, this cutback of G-J rack equipment must be examined for effects upon operational capability.
- 2. This office desires to point out to the Project Director that elimination of the G-J racks would adversely affect the System Four effort as follows:
  - a. The System Four recorder would have to be used for playback. This unit is essentially a recording apparatus and is not designed for playback purposes.
  - b. Mechanical noise as well as 400 cycle pickup within the monitor amplifier of the airborne recorder makes good pre-flight evaluation difficult. The G rack provides a qualitative factor which should not be overlooked.
  - c. If the airborne recorder must be used in place of the G rack for post-flight checks, the recorder will not be available for "turnaround" maintenance until the post-flight check has been completed.
  - d. The J rack is the power supply for the G, H and K racks. The elimination of the G-J racks therefore would preclude any possibility for duplicating System Four tape originals.
- 2. In summary, the elimination of the G-J racks from Base B would create more difficult conditions for System Four checkouts and would preclude duplication of the tape originals. It is requested that this matter be reconsidered in the light of the operational disadvantage and that the G-J racks be retained at Base B if at all possible.

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(c) H Rack - The savings resulting from the cancellation of the 2 H racks is \$3,481.00; the unit cost of each rack is \$14,639.22

Recommendation:

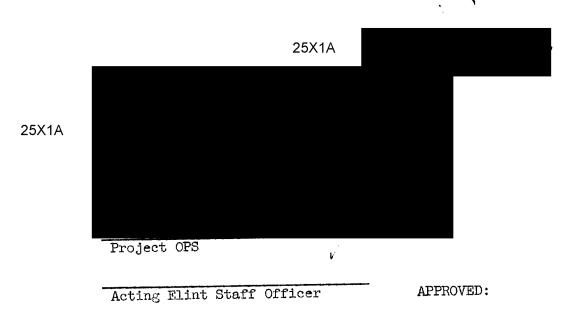
It is recommended that an H rack be reinstated in view of the limited cost savings and the need for the unit for duplication of System h tapes at Base B.

J. The Contractor has been advised that the Project no longer desires L racks. However, since 3 units have been shipped or are awaiting shipment, the savings on this rack will be negligible since FOG has also cancelled its L racks.

the recent cutback of N racks to two. The Acting Elint Staff Officer has advised that 2 M, N combinations are now required. The Contractor has advised that 3 M racks, 2 needing retrofit or repair, have been delivered. Two N racks have also been delivered to date, one needing retrofit and the other good for spare parts only.

Recommendation:

That the Contractor be advised that 2 acceptable M and N rack combinations are required for Project use which results in a contract reduction of M racks from four to two with negligible savings.



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## RACKS

	TYPE	Previ Order FOG	ously on by Proj.	Previously on Order Proj.	Cancelled by Project	New Proj. Total	Unit Price	REMARKS	
	E	12	4	4	2	2	\$9,206.89(2)	IN (340)	18152
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- 1. G Shipped 5; 3 left #6 in Test (#7 Stopped; #8 Stopped) \$7,767 plus Test.
- 2. FAK G Rack\$7; \$8,000 cancellation charge total.
- 3. H Rack; 5 shipped; #6 in Test; #7 \$1500 to finish design & Draft

  1981 Production
  \$3481
- 4. J Rack; 5 shipped; #6 in test; #7, #8 \$376.00 to complete.
- 5. K Rack; 5 shipped; #6 in test; #7 stopped \$4,339.00 to complete.
- 6. E. Rack; 3 shipped (1 returned for rework; #4, 5, 6, 7 complete; last 2 (#8, #9 stopped \$1,815 to complete).
- 7. L Rack; #1 shipped; #2 Engineering Model; #3 Prototype awaiting shipment; last 5 cancelled.
- 8. N Rack; #1 shipped; #2 on hand awaiting disposition instructions. No convertion recommended.
  #3 ready for shipment.

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